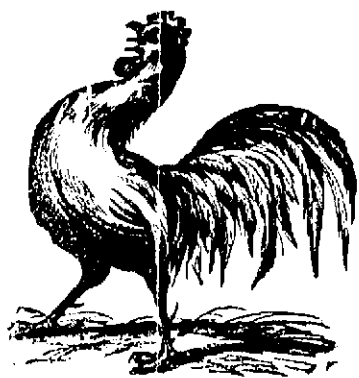


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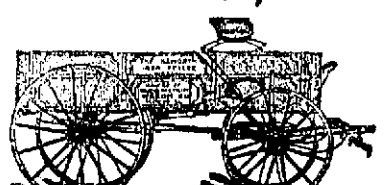
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PUT TO THE TEST.

How a Revolutionary Hero Was Badly Scared by His Son.

Among the revolutionary stories which are traditional in the old Folk family of North Carolina is one which will be new to our readers, and which proves that the boy of '78 did not differ very greatly from the boy of to-day.

The chief of the family in that day was Colonel John Polk, who from the first outbreak took an active part in the revolution. He formed a small company among the neighboring planters, and with them attacked and routed the large body of Tory troops under Sir William Campbell, the last British Governor of North Carolina. He served afterwards in every campaign until the surrender of Cornwallis, when he returned to his family with the rank of General.

He had four mischievous sons, the oldest of whom was about sixteen. He fell into the habit of incessantly telling them about the dangers he had seen, prompted to do so by a little pardonable vanity and also, no doubt, by the desire to stimulate the courage of the boys. As time wore on, the boys were bored by the many-times-told tales, and one day Charles, the eldest, remarked: "I suppose a man's courage depends on his arms."

"Not at all, sir," replied the General. "I would meet a foe on a hill with a sword or a gun as well as with them, and so would any brave man."

Charles made no answer. That evening, his father was returning from a neighboring plantation through a dark lane, when a masked and cloaked figure leaped out from the hedge and grappled with him.

"Your money! Your watch!" he demanded, fiercely.

The General felt for his pistol. He had left it at home. He struggled, but the robber held him as in a vise. Suddenly he felt the touch of cold steel to his forehead. For the first time in his life, a chill of fear crept over him. He was helpless in the grip of the thief. To end here, like a dog, done to death on the highway!

"Shall I shoot?" demanded the highwayman.

"No, no, no! Here—here!" pulling out his purse and watch, a heavy gold one, an heirloom in the family.

When he reached home he found the boys gathered around the fire and told his story amid great excitement.

"How many robbers were there?" asked Charles.

"I am ashamed to say there was but one. But I acknowledge that I was badly scared. The fellow had the grip of a giant and there was a murderous gleam in his eye."

"O father! father!" exclaimed Charles, handing him the purse and watch amid shouts of laughter.

"You dog!" said the General, joining in the laugh. "But remember, I was unarmed and you pointed a loaded pistol at my head."

"Nothing worse than this," producing his mother's steel candlestick.

General Polk, who enjoyed a joke, was the first to tell the story on himself in the neighborhood, but he always reminded his hearers that courage depended largely on circumstances, and that there was a legend that Caesar had been frightened by a rat in the dark. In fact, the General's part in the affair is to be commended; while nothing can be said in defense of the young man's joke. — Youth's Companion.

IMITATION JAMS.

How Some of Our Winter Delicacies Are Manufactured.

A gentleman happened to be in conversation with a man who makes raspberry jam on a large scale, and asked him where the raspberries were raised that he made his product of. The gentleman was in a position to warrant the confidence of the manufacturer and the latter told him frankly:

"Why, we don't use any raspberries at all."

"Do you mean to say that you make raspberry jam without any raspberries?"

"Certainly."

"What's the process?"

"Why, we boil tomatoes, and then strain the product to get the seeds out. Tomato seeds are quite too big to look like raspberry seeds, and, besides, are not shaped like them. Then we add about an equal quantity of glucose, and mix in a little prepared raspberry flavor that we may buy from the chemists, and also a quantity of hay seed. The hay seeds look very much like raspberry seeds, and are besides very much more nutritious than the raspberry seeds and constitute a positive merit in jam. With a little further preparation our raspberry jam, made out of tomatoes and glucose, is ready for the market." — Boston Transcript.

—Madame unexpectedly enters the parlor, where she detects Baptiste, the footman, in the act of drinking Charles liqueur. Both stare at each other in open-mouthed astonishment. At length Madame breaks silence and says in a tone of severity: "Really, Baptiste, I am surprised." Baptiste (in a tone of exasperation): "And so am I. Why, I thought Madame had gone out!" — Le Monde de Paris.

"Now, here is something you'll like," said the manager of the file works, as he was showing some ladies the process of manufacture: "Texts of Scripture on file for mantel ornamentation." "Oh," replied Mrs. Fangle. "I've often heard of textile manufacturers, but I never saw them before."

—A-Bis.

A new French gun throws a projectile having a shell of German silver.

Don't Experiment.

You cannot afford to waste time in experimenting when your lungs are in danger. Consumption always seems, at first, only a cold. Do not permit any dealer to impose upon you with some cheap imitation of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, but be sure you get the genuine. Because he can make more profit he may tell you he has something just as good, or just the same. Don't be deceived, but insist upon getting Dr. King's New Discovery, which is guaranteed to give relief in all Throat and Chest affections. Trial bottles free at J. A. Swearingen's Drug Store. Large bottles, \$1.

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Remnants of Dress Goods at 19c per yard; former price 25c and 30c.

Remnants of All Wool Dress Goods at 39c; former price 50c.

Remnants of All Wool Fancy Dress Goods, fifty and fifty-four inches wide, at 50c former price 75c.

Remnants of Fine French Dress Goods, in plain and fancy colors, at 75c per yard; former price 90c, \$1.00 and \$1.25 per yd.

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IV. Thou shalt bear in mind that if any day in the week you will buy a suit of clothes at Cheap Charley's you can rest easy on the seventh.

V. Thou shalt honor Cheap Charley's One Price Clothing House. May you for many years be dressed in suits thereof.

VI. Thou shalt not commit an outrage on propriety by purchasing thy Clothing, Gents' Furnishing Goods, Hats, Caps, Trunks, etc., elsewhere, but go direct to Cheap Charley's, where thou wilt get what thou wantest at Low Prices.

VII. Thou shalt not seek adulterously strange styles, but go direct to Cheap Charley's, Corner of Old Square.

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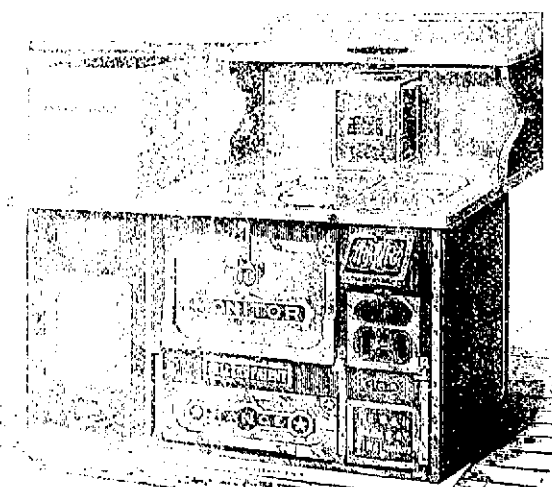
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DINGES & COOP'S.

FRIDAY EVE, DEC. 30, 1887.

LOCAL NEWS.

For dinner and tea sets, go to
E. D. BATHOLMEW & Co's.
"NORDECK" to-night.

1888 will soon be here.

This ice harvest has commenced with the blocks 8 to 10 inches thick.

TELEPHONE all orders for family groceries to Niedermeyer on the Mound.

Buy White Foam flour. It is sold by all leading grocers.

Open house at the Y. M. C. A. rooms on Monday.

Nice celery, fresh oysters and a full line of family groceries at J. Lytle & Co's store.

Give White Loaf and Daily Bread flour a trial. None better.

Monday evening is the regular night for the council meeting.

Select what you want for the table at Knudsen & Osborn's complete grocery.

The Conductors' ball will be given to-night at the armory. Over 1000 tickets have been sold.

See the Moore Bros., in opera block, for reliable family groceries. California fruits a specialty.

No trouble to show those elegant heating stoves at Lytle & Eckels' hardware store.

The traveling men at Clinton will give a big banquet to fellow travelers at that town to-night. John Patterson will be present.

Free lunch for the poor children of Decatur at Masonic building to-morrow noon, December 31. The luncheon will be followed by a free entertainment at the opera house. It will be given at 2 o'clock, sharp. Tickets for the members of the club may be procured at Piper's.

Size in at D. F. Hamscher's shop and inspect those splendid cutters. They are just what you want.

The musical German comedy will be given at the opera house Tuesday night—"Casper the Yodler."

Buy your groceries, fruits and flour at Hanks & Patterson's family store, 143 South Water street.

Decorate ladies intending to keep open house formally or informally next Monday should send in their names for publication in the REPUBLICAN early to-morrow morning.

The members of the Loyal Temperance Legion are requested to meet punctually at their room on Herkimer street, corner of Broadway, Saturday afternoon, Dec. 31st. Mrs. Woodward, Supt.

Mr. E. M. Young is now in possession of his residence property on West Prairie street. He moved yesterday. The apartments vacated by him at 242 West William street will be occupied by Mr. LaBonta and wife.

Dr. Ruten, of the state board of health, has paid an official visit to Clinton, where Conductor Long, of the Central road, is ill with small-pox. He thought the case was doing well, and he recommended the vaccination of the school children and procuring certificates to that effect by all children before they could be admitted to the schools. He was well satisfied with what the city had done to prevent and shut in the disease, and regretted not being able to confer further with Mayor Harris, who has shown much vigilance in the matter.

A piano recital, given by pupils of Miss Gale, will be held in the Musical College rooms Friday, at 2:30 p. m. The public is cordially invited.

Physicians prescribe Ayer's Sarsaparilla in cases of scrofula, and in any form of chronic disease, because this medicine is safer to take, and is more highly concentrated, than any other preparation. It can always be depended upon as an effective blood purifier.

All of the Decatur Banks will be closed on Monday after Christmas and Monday after New Year's Day. Make a note of this.

Nothing nicer for a Christmas present than one of those celebrated Washington and Conservatory Guitars, Banjos, Violins, Mandolins, Zithers and Autoharps at Prescott's.

Quail, Pheasant and Grouse at Krebs'.

News from Blue Mound.

Christmas tree entertainments were held at the M. E. and C. P. churches Christmas eve with good audiences and fair door receipts at each house. The other churches have no entertainments, but distributed presents to the children at the close of school on Sunday.

The band boys' festival at Miller's Opera Hall Christmas eve netted about \$30.

J. S. Crites of Ohio, who last Saturday spent the holidays with relatives.

Miss Myrtle Winter, of the Cyclone family, has gone to Pennsylvania to spend the winter visiting in that state and Maryland.

Philip Bell yesterday sold to J. A. Blair, lots 11, 14 and 15, block 10, in the village of Blue Mound; consideration, \$1,000.

Prof. Clay Howard, of Marion, Ala., is here this week lecturing to our people on temperance. The Professor is quite an eloquent old man, an impressive lecturer, and gives quite a glowing account of the wonderful uprising of the people in the sunny south, and of the good work being accomplished by local option. He said there was only one thing in the way to prevent a complete victory for temperance in the southern states, and that was the negro vote; that they (the negroes) vote the whiskey ticket; and "that the intelligent, intellectual white people of the south could give the casting vote, the leprous touch of rum would be banished from the realm."

Now, isn't it strange that these intelligent, intellectual white people can't see a way out of this difficulty? It is so simple and simple, that it is necessary to resort to the methods used in presidential elections, and the end is soon reached.

THE LAST PUNCH.

Members of the Entre Nous Club Dance at the St. Nicholas.

The Entre Nous social club is no more.

It was formed last season for social meetings, but as parties are to be given by the Decatur Club, of which nearly all the gentlemen are members, it was voted to disband after the farewell dancing party of last night at the St. Nicholas hotel, which was attended by about 30 couples. It was one of the merriest parties of the winter, and until after midnight the dining hall was bright with beauty and lively with cordial greetings, social chat and laughter. The were 20 numbers on the embossed programs, 16 of which were round dances. Below is a list of ladies present with a description of their toilettes.

Miss Louise Dietrich, of Covington, Ky., guest of Miss Ella Rice, wore a beautiful orange tulle, V-shaped corsage, short sleeves. Ornaments, garters and flowers.

Miss Louise McMullin, of Chicago, guest of Miss Ella Rice, wore a beautiful orange tulle, V-shaped corsage, short sleeves. Ornaments, garters and flowers.

Miss Mary Roby, close fitting brown velvet, short sleeves, flowers.

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Arrested.

This forenoon Constable Dillehunt arrested A. A. Bishop on two state warrants, one charging him with making threats, and the other with carrying concealed weapons. Bishop was taken before Justice Odor. In default of bail he was committed to jail. Mr. B. has been having trouble with his family.

Snow Blizzard.

Decatur people are having a heavy dose of genuine wintry weather to-day—a changing wind and a steady fall of snow. It began at 10 o'clock this forenoon and from present appearances will continue through the night.

The Double Concert.

A select and well pleased audience was at the opera house last night to hear and applaud the Nilsson Juvenile orchestra concert and the repetition of the Flower Garden concert under the direction of the young ladies of the Baptist Guild. Prof. Nilsson's pupils appeared in twelve numbers with the string instruments and displayed a remarkable proficiency with the same, playing among other selections "Poet and Peasant" and the "Boccaccio March" in a faultless manner. The pupils are Mae Harwood, Lena Nelson, Abbie and Dottie Durfee, Reaves Scruggs, Earl Bartholomew, Henry Roberts, Eugene Wayne, Willie Westerman, Chas. Freeman and Charles Burnstead. Miss Hattie Jonson playing the cornet. There were several warm encores. Prof. Nilsson is a teacher, his bright pupils doing him great credit last night.

The "Flower Garden" concert followed the orchestral numbers. The accompaniment was by the pianist and members of the Juvenile orchestra. The participants were P. W. Westhoff, Mrs. E. C. Roseberry, Ralph Templeton, Mrs. K. Harwood, Will Lewis, Misses Minnie Bookman, Mame Freeman, and Lizzie Kneipner. R. W. Children and O. F. Spalding. All gave "The Pansy Blossom" very sweetly. The double concert was a treat.

About 50 youthful members of the Presbyterian Sabbath school were given an ice cream and cake treat at the church last night by the teachers. The feast was preceded by a short literary and musical program.

There will be a meeting of the pastors of the city to-morrow at 10 a. m. at Room No. 1, First M. E. church. A full and prompt attendance is requested. Business of importance. Per order of W. H. Preeley, chairman.

Laid to Rest.

The obsequies of Rev. D. P. Bunn took place yesterday afternoon at the Universalist church, and were largely attended. The funeral was under the auspices of the Knights Templar, the pall-bearers being Sir Knights J. R. Gorin, W. E. Nelson, W. F. Fisher, Geo. W. Bright, D. H. Heilman and John Hatfield. The music was by a select choir, composed of the following persons: Miss Cora Elwood, Mrs. S. Burgess, and Messrs. Benton Blackstone and John E. Patterson, with Mrs. Patterson as organist. The selections were exceedingly appropriate and were well rendered. The sermon by Mrs. Gibb, the pastor of the church, was a well-timed, appropriate and touching discourse, in which particular stress was laid upon the genial, lovable, sympathetic nature of the deceased.

The church was crowded to its utmost capacity, the aisles being filled and many going away unable to gain entrance to the church. The audience embraced many of our oldest citizens, and was an unmistakable evidence of the high regard in which Mr. Bunn was held by those who had known him longest.

The interment was at Greenwood cemetery, to which the remains were followed by a large concourse of people.

The base ball team for Bloomington next season is about settled upon and the contracts are signed. The three players—a battery and short stop from Big Rapids, Mich., have been signed and the team report for duty in April. The season of '88 will be opened the 25th of April, with an exhibition game with the Detroit league team.

The German Comedy.

The popular young actor, Charles T. Ellis, will appear next Tuesday night at the opera house in the German comedy, "Casper, the Yodler," supported by a fine company. The Cleveland Leader said:

Mr. Ellis' success is in his excellent singing of many undying and catchy songs. His voice is a high tenor of a sweet and resonant quality which he uses with good taste and judgment. As an actor he deserves commendation for dropping much of the stereotyped business of the stage and devoting his efforts to a truthful portrayal of nature. He is also aided by a handsome presence and graceful carriage. The play itself is one of the very best of its class. The story is natural, and better than that, pure and wholesome, and the company that handles it admirably adapted to its requirements. There are several pleasing features in the plot and two very clever and beautiful children, Masters Wood and Eddinger, who act with wonderful ability. The scenery is very effective and pretty, especially the yacht cabin scene and Blue Castle, in which the kissing of the Blaney stone is made highly amusing.

The Late Rev. D. P. Bunn.

Rev. Bunn leaves one brother, Joseph P. Bunn, who resides in Ross county, O., one sister, Mrs. Throckmorton, who lives in Chillicothe, O., and another, Mrs. Peter Betzer, of this city.

The following is a copy of a letter received this morning:

D. J. Bunn, Esq., Decatur, Ga.
My Dear Sir—Please allow me to convey to all your very much interested sympathy in this year and hour of bereavement.

There was no man living for whom I hold a higher regard than for your noble father. He was always one of my best friends, and I shall ever regret that I will not be able to meet him again on this earth. He will never be forgotten by those who knew him as I did. I shall be glad to pay the last tribute of respect to his memory, and I shall be glad to have a noble Christian gentleman.

Yours most sincerely,
HARRY M. MOORE.

Annual Young Men's Reception.

The ladies of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Y. M. C. A. have met and decided to keep open house in receiving the young men of Decatur on January 22, from 11 a. m. to 4 p. m. There will be—

COFFEE, SANDWICHES, ROLLS, CAKE, DOUGHNUTS.

PICKLES, APPLES, ORANGES.

The friends who are willing to contribute to the annual reception will confer a favor by reporting to the undersigned or to Mrs. J. E. Saxton just what they will give, and whether it is to be called for Monday a. m. or sent to the rooms. There will be the usual entertainment in the evening; good program. Grs. \$20.

Revival Services at Stapp's Chapel.

Evangelist Potter preached to a large and attentive audience last night, on the words found in the 6th chapter of Galatians: "God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap; for he that soweth to the flesh shall of the flesh reap corruption, but he that soweth to the spirit shall of the spirit reap life everlasting," reading the first 10 verses of the chapter. As the acorn produces the oak, so the seed sown produces the harvest of that particular seed. If you sow idleness, you cannot reap education; this is a law in the moral as well as in the physical world; the law is a simple one, yet tremendous in its force. If you sow earthly seed, it will produce an earthly harvest. The politician gives himself to public life and enters the arena of debate; with it all there is a burden to bear; he must suffer the hatred, scorn and denunciation of those opposed to him. But of his own choice he has sown the seed of such burdens, and he cannot escape from them. But one consolation is, that if we sow in tears we shall reap in joy; let us not be weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap if we faint not. Our efforts, like bread cast upon the waters, shall be gathered again. Seed sown must not be left to itself, but watched lest the birds eat it, or the sun parch it, or weeds choke it. But when it receives the early and latter rain, at last the glorious harvest comes and on the long and faithful watching. Much good was done. Services at 4 and 7 p. m.

The funeral of Walter, son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Hughes, who died of membranous croup in Chicago on December 26th, took place from the Park Hotel yesterday. Rev. James Miller officiating. Interment in Greenwood cemetery. The parents desire to return thanks to Decatur friends for their kindness and sympathy.

"Nordeck" To-Night.

This evening Frank Mayo and his excellent company will appear at the opera house in the great play, "Nordeck." It will be a splendid performance, the best of the season. The Poona Journal of this week gives Mayo this notice:

There were two superlative performances at the Grand opera house yesterday. The play presented was "Nordeck," and it is but just praise to say of it that it is one of the very best dramatic productions given in Poona in many a long day. It is a strong plot in the hands of an equally strong and well-balanced company headed by Frank Mayo, the star, who created the brilliant character, and whose personation of it is perfect. There were large audiences in the house, and the outcome was the most brilliant ever seen in this city in a long time. Everybody was delighted. Apart from Mayo himself J. H. Taylor was a second star in the role of "Witold" and the "Wanda" of Mrs. Hoyer Rand won the favors of the audience from the first. Then Miss Alice Fischer made an ideal "Princess Zuluah," and Miss Fannie Graham as "Margaret Witold," C. Harvey as "Fabian," and Wm. Harcourt as "Prince Leo" were all excellent in their different roles. Frank Mayo himself is superb and has attained proficiency by years of hard professional toil.

Those who made donations to the "Christmas Club" please send the same to the vacant room in Masonic Block to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock sharp, the place of giving the luncheon to the poor children having been changed from the Gallagher block to Masonic block.

The teachers will meet at the First M. E. church this evening to elect officers of the Sunday school. A full attendance is desired.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Miss May Stine has been visiting Sullivan.

Charles Murphy, who has been home for the holidays, will go east this week to visit Boston.

McCaule Moore, of Kansas City, son of Dr. D. N. Moore, is spending the holidays with his parents.

Charles E. Armstrong goes to New York and Boston Saturday to visit the wholesale house he represents in the west.

Miss Emma Valentine, of Carlisle, arrived in the city to-day. She is the guest of Mrs. J. B. Bullard.

Dr. W. S. Ruby, of Bement, who was in the city yesterday, will depart next week for Southern California to remain during the winter.

P. A. Panscraft, business manager for Frank Payne's company, is in the city to-day. The troupe will appear in "Margot, the Hunter," on January 6th.

Dr. James Prestley, of Chicago, will arrive in the city on Sunday. He has a lucrative practice in Chicago, and has been so busy that he has not been here since August.

Mrs. C. S. Jacobs, wife of Rev. Charles Jacobs, is an invalid in Chicago. She has been ill a long while. Her husband is greatly reduced in flesh by his watchful attention.

P. M. Shaw, of Robinson, Ill., superintendent of the Crawford county public schools, was at the Hotel Brunswick to-day. He is a cousin of Justice Curtis, who got up at 5 o'clock to meet him.

The board of supervisors of DeWitt county have ordered the county treasurer to purchase \$12,000 of the outstanding county bonds at par. The bondholders have accepted the proposition. The board of supervisors have also instructed their finance committee to structure the mortgage records to discover property that has been evading taxation. They also amended the resolution to vote

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